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For: EQUIPMENT FOR TREATING FECAL CONTAINING SLUDGE WITH A  
MEMBRANE, UNIT, AND METHOD OF OPERATION

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

The present Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in accordance  
with applicants' Duty of Disclosure.


Applicants are submitting a German Search Report issued on the  
corresponding foreign application, as well as copies of the references, or  
counterpart references cited therein. In this regard, please note that U.S. Patent  
No. 6,843,908 corresponds to WO 02/45827 and U.S. Patent No. 5,482,625  
corresponds to DE 694 08 816 T2. English language abstracts are being submitted  
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Applicants' duty to provide a statement of relevance as to the remaining foreign language references cited in the search reports is satisfied by the search reports indicating the degree of relevance in accordance with MPEP § 609.04(a)(III).

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at his convenience should he have any questions regarding this matter or require any additional information.

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